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Amendments to the Claims:

1. through 27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently Amended) A keypad layout for a hand-held electronic device comprising:

a plurality of keys, including keys "1" through "9" and "0", configured for data entry of numbers and symbols of a Romanized Chinese phonetic alphabet, each key representing at least one ~~syllable initial~~ symbol of a syllable initial symbol group or ~~at least one syllable semi-initial symbol of a syllable semi-initial symbol group of the Romanized Chinese phonetic alphabet,~~
wherein all keys representing symbols of the syllable initial symbol group are grouped separate from all keys representing symbols of the syllable semi-initial symbol group.

29. (Previously Presented) The keypad of claim 28, wherein the plurality of keys includes keys "*" and "#".

30. (Canceled)

31. (Currently Amended) The keypad of claim ~~28~~ 30, wherein one key of the plurality of keys is solely designated for symbols of the semi-initial symbol group ~~symbols.~~

32. (Currently Amended) The keypad of claim 28, wherein at least a portion of the plurality of keys represents ~~syllable final~~ symbols of a syllable final symbol group.

33. through 43. (Canceled)